IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS SHERMAN DIVISION

JORGE HERNANDEZ, #15962-078	§	
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VS.	§	CIVIL ACTION NO. 4:12cv448
	§	CRIMINAL ACTION NO. 4:09cr34(3)
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	§	

MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER

In a motion for reconsideration, Jorge Hernandez asks this court to reconsider its Final Judgment denying his Motion to Vacate, Set Aside, or Correct a Sentence pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2255. If a motion for relief from judgment is filed within twenty-eight (28) days of final judgment, Movant's motion should be filed as a motion under Rule 59. Fed. R. Civ. P. 59(e). If the motion is served after that time, it falls under Rule 60(b). Fed. R. Civ. P. 60(b). This motion is properly filed under Rule 60(b) as it was filed more than twenty-eight days after final judgment.

Rule 60(b) is properly invoked to "to correct manifest errors of law or fact or to present newly discovered evidence." *Waltman v. Int'l Paper Co.*, 875 F.2d 468, 473 (5th Cir. 1989). The rule does not exist to be a vehicle for re-litigating old issues, presenting the case under new theories, obtaining a rehearing on the merits, or taking a "second bite at the apple." *Sequa Corp v. GBJ Corp.*, 156 F.3d 136, 144 (2d Cir. 1998). However, it allows a party to "question the correctness of a judgment." *Templet v. HydroChem, Inc.*, 367 F.3d 473, 478 (5th Cir. 2004). The rule for reconsideration of a final judgment allows a court to alter or amend a judgment because of (1) an intervening change in controlling law, (2) the availability of new evidence not available previously, (3) the need to correct a clear error of law or fact, or (4) to prevent a manifest injustice. *Schiller v.*

Physicians Resource Group, Inc., 342 F.3d 563, 567 (5th Cir. 2003).

The court denied and dismissed Movant's case because the issues he raised were without

merit or were procedurally barred. Movant now complains that he never received the Report and

Recommendation because he had moved to a different facility, and as a result, he did not file

objections. However, Movant failed to notify the court that he had moved to a different prison. The

court was notified when mail sent to him was returned to the court as undeliverable. In the current

motion for reconsideration, Movant fails to present new evidence that was unavailable earlier or new

controlling case law. *Id.* He also does not present a clear error of law or fact. *Id.* Thus, it appears

that Movant's motion for reconsideration is premised on the argument that reconsideration is

necessary to prevent a manifest injustice.

The court notes that it is the responsibility of Movant to send a notice of change of address.

Movant failed to do so. Although he claims that he has no control over where he is placed, that fact

does not explain Movant's failure to notify the court of his new address after being moved. Movant

fails to meet his burden of showing that denying his motion for reconsideration will result in a

manifest injustice. It is therefore

ORDERED that Movant's Motion for Reconsideration (#24) filed pursuant to Rule 60(b)

is **DENIED**. All motions by either party not previously ruled upon are **DENIED**.

SIGNED this 13th day of January, 2016.

AMOS L. MAZZANT

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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